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## SENATE BILL No. 249

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DIGEST OF SB 249 (Updated January 15, 2008 12:12 pm - DI 71)

**Citations Affected:** IC 16-31.

**Synopsis:** Emergency medical services commission. Requires the emergency medical services commission to adopt rules concerning the triage and transportation protocols for the transportation of trauma patients.

**Effective:** July 1, 2008.

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**Wyss, Broden, Simpson, Merritt,  
Charbonneau**

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January 10, 2008, read first time and referred to Committee on Homeland Security,  
Transportation & Veterans Affairs.  
January 15, 2008, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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Second Regular Session 115th General Assembly (2008)

PRINTING CODE. Amendments: Whenever an existing statute (or a section of the Indiana Constitution) is being amended, the text of the existing provision will appear in this style type, additions will appear in **this style type**, and deletions will appear in ~~this style type~~.

Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2007 Regular Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:*

1 SECTION 1. IC 16-31-2-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS  
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2008]: Sec. 7. The commission  
3 shall do the following:

4 (1) Develop and promote, in cooperation with state, regional, and  
5 local public and private organizations, agencies, and persons, a  
6 statewide program for the provision of emergency medical  
7 services that must include the following:

8 (A) Preparation of state, regional, and local emergency  
9 ambulance service plans.

10 (B) Provision of consultative services to state, regional, and  
11 local organizations and agencies in developing and  
12 implementing emergency ambulance service programs.

13 (C) Promotion of a statewide system of emergency medical  
14 service facilities by developing minimum standards,  
15 procedures, and guidelines in regard to personnel, equipment,  
16 supplies, communications, facilities, and location of such  
17 centers.

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(D) Promotion of programs for the training of personnel providing emergency medical services and programs for the education of the general public in first aid techniques and procedures. The training shall be held in various local communities of the state and shall be conducted by agreement with publicly and privately supported educational institutions or hospitals licensed under IC 16-21, wherever appropriate.

(E) Promotion of coordination of emergency communications, resources, and procedures throughout Indiana and, in cooperation with interested state, regional, and local public and private agencies, organizations, and persons, the development of an effective state, regional, and local emergency communications system.

(F) Organizing and sponsoring a statewide emergency medical services conference to provide continuing education for persons providing emergency medical services.

(2) Regulate, inspect, and certify services, facilities, and personnel engaged in providing emergency medical services as provided in this article.

(3) Adopt rules required to implement an approved system of emergency medical services.

**(4) Adopt rules concerning triage and transportation protocols for the transportation of trauma patients consistent with the field triage decision scheme of the American College of Surgeons Committee on Trauma.**

~~(4)~~ (5) Apply for, receive, and accept gifts, bequests, grants-in-aid, state, federal, and local aid, and other forms of financial assistance for the support of emergency medical services.

~~(5)~~ (6) Employ necessary administrative staff.

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SENATE MOTION

Madam President: I move that Senators Simpson, Merritt and Charbonneau be added as coauthors of Senate Bill 249.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Madam President: The Senate Committee on Homeland Security, Transportation and Veterans Affairs, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 249, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill DO PASS.

(Reference is made to Senate Bill 249 as introduced.)

WYSS, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 9, Nays 0.

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